



By the King.

¶ A second Proclamation for the apprehension of
Richard Smith, a Popish Priest, stiled, and calling him-
self, The Bishop of *Calcedon*.



Hereas by Our Proclamation, bearing date the eleventh day of December last past, (for the reasons in that Our Proclamation expressed) wee did straitly command, that none of Our Subjects should harbour or conceale the sayd Smith, but that forthwith they should arrest and apprehend his bodie, and bring him before the next Justice of Peace, to the place where hee should bee apprehended, whom wee thereby commanded to commit him to prison without Bayle or Mainprise, and presently to enforce Us, or Our Prinke Counsell, of his apprehension: And wee did thereby declare, That if any person should then after, directly or indirectly, harbour or conceale the sayd Smith, or vse, or continue at any meanes, whereby the sayd Smith might escape from being apprehended or arrested, that wee should extend the uttermost severitie of Our Lawes against every such offender, as by Our Proclamation more at large appeareth; which Our Proclamation hath not yet wrought that good effect which wee expected, the sayd Smith being still hidden and harboured by those, who, being infected and blinded with Popish superstition, preferre their respects to him, before their duetie to Us, and the feare of Our high displeasure, and the consequence thereof; wee therefore, by the aduice of Our Prinke Counsell, haue thought fit by this Our second Proclamation to renew Our former command in that behalfe.

And to the end that none of Our Subjects may hereafter excuse themselves by a pretended ignorance of the danger they shall fall into, if they shall harbour or conceale him; wee doe hereby publish and declare, That the sayd Smith is not onely a Popish Priest, and with a high presumption taketh vpon him to exercise Ecclesiasticall Jurisdiction, pretended to bee derived from the Sea of Rome, within this Our Realme, and endeauoureth to seduce Our

Subjects from the true Religion established in the Church of England, (which, by Gods assistance we shall ever constantly maintaine) but doeth also seditiously and traitterously hold correspondence with Our enemies, tending to the destruction of Our State.

And therefore we doe now againe renew Our former command for his apprehension, and doe hereby further signifie, That whosoever shall Lodge, Harbour, or Relieve the sayd Smith, or any other Priest, Jesuite, or other, having taken Orders by authoritie pretended to bee derived from the See of Rome, shall incurre the danger of Our Lawes made against the Harbourers, Lodgers, and Relievers of Priests, to the full extent thereof, which by the Statutes of this Our Realme is Felonie.

And we doe further hereby declare, (which we shall really performe) That whosoever shall discover the sayd Smith, and cause him to bee apprehended, as aforesayd, shall have a reward of one hundred pounds in money, to bee presently payd vnto him by Us, and shall also have the benefit of all such Penalties and Forfeitures, which shall or may accrue vnto Us, and bee forfeited by that person, in whose house the sayd Smith shall bee found to have bene harboured or concealed.

And we further charge and command heereby, (as by Our former Proclamation we did) all and singuler Our Judges, Justices of Peace, Mayors, Sheriffes, Constables, and all other Our Officers, Ministers and loving Subjects, That if they shall finde any person offending herein, that then they, and every of them, proceede with all diligence and readinesse, not onely against the sayd Smith, but also against all such as shall harbour, conceale, or connive at his concealment, or shall not vse their best endeavours for his discovery and apprehension, according to the uttermost extent of Our Lawes.

Given at Our Court at Whitehall, the foure and twentieth day of March, in the fourth yeere of Our Reigne, of Great Britaine, France and Ireland.

God saue the King.



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